City of Salamanca Comprehensive Plan

Complete Streets Policy

The City of Salamanca has adopted the policy of "Complete Streets" as a guiding principal for City infrastructure development. Complete Streets are defined as facilities that are designed and operated to enable safe access for all users including, but not limited to, pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and users of public transportation. Complete Streets enable safe access for users of all ages and abilities to safely move along and across a complete street.

The Complete Streets policy advocates transportation facility design with all users in mind utilizing practical transportation planning methods and traffic control measures as appropriate.

The City of Salamanca supports the development of a complete system of bikeways, pedestrian facilities and shared use paths, bicycles parking and safe crossings connecting residences, businesses, and public places. The City of Salamanca promotes bicycling and walking for health, environmental sustainability, exercise, transportation and recreation.

Bicycle and pedestrian facilities shall be considered in all new construction, reconstruction, and maintenance projects in the City of Salamanca unless:

- Bicyclists and pedestrians are prohibited by law from using the roadway.
- The cost of establishing bikeways or walkways would be prohibitive.

In cases where the existing right-of-way does not allow for sidewalks, bike lanes, paths or other improvements, potential alternatives will be examined including the appropriate use of paved shoulders, signage, traffic calming and/or enhanced education and enforcement.

New Bicycle and Pedestrian facilities will be constructed and maintained in accordance with guidelines adopted by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) and the American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials (AASHTO). Such facilities will be considered in the City's Site Plan review process as appropriate.